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SUPPLEMENTARY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

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In the specification:

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Please insert the following paragraph after the Title:

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--RELATED APPLICATION DATA

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Continuation of United States Patent Application No. 08/942,989, filed Oct. 2, 1997, now
abandoned.--

Please delete entirely the three paragraphs captioned "Brief Description of the
Drawings," which commence on page 9, line 28 of the specification and continue to and
including page 10, line 6.

Please replace the paragraph at page 58, line 7 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--The three samples were then used to monitor the thermal denaturation of the
4.5% HSA solutions. To do this, T_1 data (and thus R_1 data ($=1/T_1$)) for each sample was

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